



### Minutes of August 2, 2018 General Membership meeting

- **Call to Order** -Brad Eike  
President Alan Heatherwick called the meeting to order at 1:15pm with the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a Picnic Blessing. Lots of good food, made by many excellent cooks, was offered in our buffet line, and we were encouraged to dig in. After we were all full, and had a pleasant time visiting, the business meeting followed.
- **Roll Call** -Brad Eike  
Brad called the roll, with 9 directors, and 30 members and guests present.
- **Secretary's Report** -Charlie Kestel  
Charlie made copies of the August 2nd.meeting minutes available to anyone who wanted one. Alan then asked if there were any additions or corrections, and there were none. Lane Heatherwick made a motion to accept the minutes as published, seconded by Pat Noonan. It was passed by all present
- **Treasure's Report** -Fred Lestina  
Fred reported income of \$2200. \$200 from camp grounds, \$1000 from display banners, a donation of \$350 towards hauling, dues of \$100, \$300 from flea market, and \$250 donated for the petting zoo Expenses totaled \$8450.96. Payment to Vedette of \$72, \$840 paid to WVLI Radio, \$600 to US Treasury to reinstate 501c3 and \$1800 to Ken Goodwin for his work as our new CPA, \$692.55 to Master card, \$1182.35 to Kim Schaefer for Craft and advertising, a payment to Heritage FS for fuel, and \$1760 was sent to Joliet Tent Co. for rental of tents and fans. This leaves us a balance of \$8430.56 in our checkbook. Larry mentioned that he still has a bill for us. Ron Schubbe made a motion to accept this report as presented. It was seconded by Carol Hossbach and was passed by all present.

### **Old Business**

Ken Goodwin, our new CPA, has sent our financial reports from 2012 to the present, along with a payment of \$600 to the IRS to try to get our 501c3 reinstated. We now must wait for 90 days to see if they will accept our documentation and reinstate us.

Brad has reported that he has gotten rave reviews from all the people he has spoken to about the show.

Alan then explained that we couldn't honor our King and Queen at this year's show because of weather and track conditions, so we honored Fred and Irene Lestina at our picnic. They were awarded a plaque and given a mum plant for their garden. Many thanks to Fred and Irene for their many years of hard work!!!

Lane brought up the question of how much we should send to the FFA for their help with parking. He made a motion to send them a donation of \$400, the same as we sent last year. Ron Schubbe seconded the motion, and it was passed by all present.

### **New Business**

The next order of business was election of new officers. Dennis, Brad, Alan, Fred, and Larry were all up for reelection. Dennis expressed a wish to retire, so we asked Henry Reus and Terry Donovan to be nominees, and they agreed. Alan asked if there were any other volunteers from the floor, and there was none. Larry moved to accept Henry and Terry as our additional new directors, and it was seconded by Jean Kestel. The motion was passed by all present. The directors then meet in the "man cave" to decide on executive positions. It was decided among them that all positions remain the same.

### **Show – 2019 – July 18-21**

The show will again be held on Steve and Cindy Spiess' farm. Planning will start at the October meeting.

What do we need to improve or change? Next week we need to measure for more space for parking. We also need to make some repairs on the corn crib. That was accomplished on Sept 17<sup>th</sup>. The crib was filled on September 22<sup>nd</sup>, thanks to Dennis, Ron Roger, and Charlie, and their combined equipment.

It was decided to feature Oliver, White and Cletrak tractors next year. We are still in need of a chairman for the feature tent, if we decide to have one

Illiana Pullers were contacted about the possibility of having a bigger tractor pull, and it was decided that we are too small of a show.

Brad took charge of drawing for the door prizes, which were the table decorations. Hopefully everyone went home happy and full.

### **Adjourn**

David DeVallee made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Ron Schubbe. It was passed by all present.

### **Membership meetings:**

October 11, 2018

7pm in bank basement

November 8, 2018

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